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Customer No. : 23911
Title : Pharmaceutical Hard Capsule Containing Inorganic
Substance

CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119

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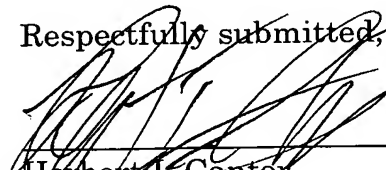
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Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of prior foreign application Nos. 2004-022624 and 2004-057099, filed in Japan on January 30, 2004 and March 2, 2004, respectively, is hereby requested and the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is hereby claimed.

In support of this claim, filed herewith is a certified copy of each of the original foreign applications.

Respectfully submitted,



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